

### REMARKS

Forty-three claims were originally filed in the present application. Claim 43 currently stands rejected. In addition, claims 1-42 have been indicated by the Examiner to be allowed. Accordingly, claim 43 is cancelled herein to place the Application in condition for immediate allowance. Claims 8, 15, 28, 35, and 40 are amended herein. Reconsideration and allowance of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

### Specification

In paragraph 1, the Examiner objects to the Specification because of certain "informalities". According, Applicants amend the Specification and Claims to correct the informalities mentioned by the Examiner. In addition, in paragraph 2, the Examiner states that "[t]he abstract has more than 150 word." Accordingly, Applicants herein amend the Abstract so that the total number of words is less than 150. Applicants therefore submit that the Examiner's objections to the Specification have been addressed, and request withdrawal of the objections.

### Cancellation Of Rejected Claims

In the Office Action of December 28, 2001 and a subsequent Advisory Action mailed December 23, 2004, the Examiner has indicated that claims 1-42 are allowed. The Examiner has also indicated that claim 43 remains rejected. Because of the Applicants' wish to expedite the allowance and issuance of the present Application, Applicants therefore refrain from further discussing the cited reference, and instead, herein cancel rejected claim 43 without prejudice to thereby place the Application in condition for immediate allowance.

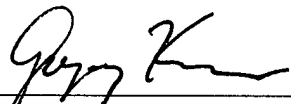
The Applicants expressly state that rejected claim 43 is not cancelled herein for reasons of patentability. The rejected claim is cancelled solely to expedite the allowance and issuance of the Application. Furthermore, the Applicants also reserve the right to seek allowance of any additional claims in Applications that may claim priority in the present Application.

Summary

The Applicants submit that the foregoing amendments and accompanying remarks place the present Application in condition for immediate allowance. Therefore, reconsideration and allowance of the present Application are respectfully requested. If there are questions concerning this amendment, the Examiner is invited to telephone the Applicants' undersigned representative at the number given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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